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1. [ ] the Chinese Communists began construction of a causeway between Hengts'o (approximately N 24-25, E 118-18) and Taluchueh (1129/6424/5223), Tatengtao (N 24-34, E 118-20) at the Hengts'o end of the causeway. The proposed length of the causeway was estimated to be approximately one-fourth longer than the bridge connecting Chimei (N 24-34, E 118-06) and Kaoch'i (N 24-34, E 118-06), or about seven to eight miles in length.<sup>1</sup> An estimated 28,000 workers and some army engineering troops were engaged on this project, which was scheduled to be completed within two months. The causeway was to be built primarily of large stones with some concrete and steel. It was rumored in Hengts'o that the causeway was being built to expedite transportation of military supplies to Tatengtao for the invasion of Chinmen.
2. Chinese Communist plans for the construction of a bridge or causeway between Ts'aits'o (approximately N 24-34, E 118-16) and Ch'iluchueh (1505/6424/5223), Tatengtao, were abandoned because the current between the two points was considered too strong and such a connecting link would be too exposed to artillery fire from Chinmen. The Chinese Communists plan in the near future to build a four-mile causeway between Henglin (3801/2651)<sup>2</sup> and Chimei. This causeway will link two mainland points and will landlock a body of water which will be stocked with fish. The fish will eventually be used as a source of food for the troops in the area. Between 30,000 and 50,000 workers will be employed on this project.
3. [ ] one regular Chinese Communist army unit numbering 13,000 to 14,000 troops arrived at Tungk'eng (approximately N 24-36, E 118-13), Machiang (N 24-40, E 118-14). The entire division was deployed at Tungk'eng, and the division headquarters was established in the village ancestral temple. This division was rumored to be a select unit. The unit was mechanized and the soldiers spoke Mandarin with either a Shantung or Hopei accent.<sup>3</sup> [ ] the unit had previously been garrisoned at Mukden and had arrived in Machiang from Shanghai. It was rumored that the unit would be deployed at Tungk'eng until the causeway between Hengts'o and Tatengtao was completed. The unit would then move to Tatengtao.

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4. [ ] one division of regular troops arrived in Wuts'ang (2745/5547) village, Hoshan (4421/1472), Amoy. This unit was equipped with the same type of equipment as the unit mentioned in paragraph 3. 25X1
5. [ ] more than 10,000 troops arrived at Machiang and T'ungan (N 24-44, E 118-08). Their equipment and uniforms were the same as the units mentioned in the preceding two paragraphs. 25X1
6. [ ] between 150 and 160 rocket guns arrived at Chiangt'ou (3068/7333) Station, Hoshan, Amoy. 25X1
7. The following numbers of Chinese Communist troops were at the locations indicated:
  - a. Approximately 3,000 to 4,000 troops at each of the following places; Meijenkung (5019/0086/1362), Weit'ou (N 24-30, E 118-34), and Wentsao (2429/3501).
  - b. A full division at Wuts'ang village.
  - c. Approximately 1,500 troops at Shuanghan (7175/3211).
  - d. Approximately 2,000 troops at P'unan (N 24-38, E 117-38).
  - e. Approximately 7,000 to 8,000 troops at Lienpan (5571/2647).
  - f. Approximately 4,000 to 5,000 troops at Kaoch'i (N 24-34, E 118-06).
  - g. A full division at Chiangt'ouchieh (3068/7333/5894).
8. There were about 2,000 troops deployed at Ch'itung (approximately N 24-36, E 118-22). Approximately 160 artillery pieces were dispersed in Ch'itung and in the surrounding hills. Exchanges of artillery fire with Chinmen were often from the guns in this area. Every house in Ch'itung had an underground shelter. The Communists were planning to construct a command post on the hill behind Hengts'o.
9. It was rumored in Amoy that there was a antiaircraft regiment stationed in Amoy city.

Comments

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1. [ ] probably exaggerated [ ] length of the causeway, since the shortest distance between the two points reported is about two miles. 25X1  
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2. Hsinglin (approximately N 24-34, E 118-16) is probably intended. [ ] this causeway will connect Chimei and Kaop'u (N 24-34, E 118-02). 25X1  
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3. [ ] Comment. [ ] the unit was fully mechanized and its weapons were different from other units he observed in Fukien. He was not able to identify the differences. 25X1

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